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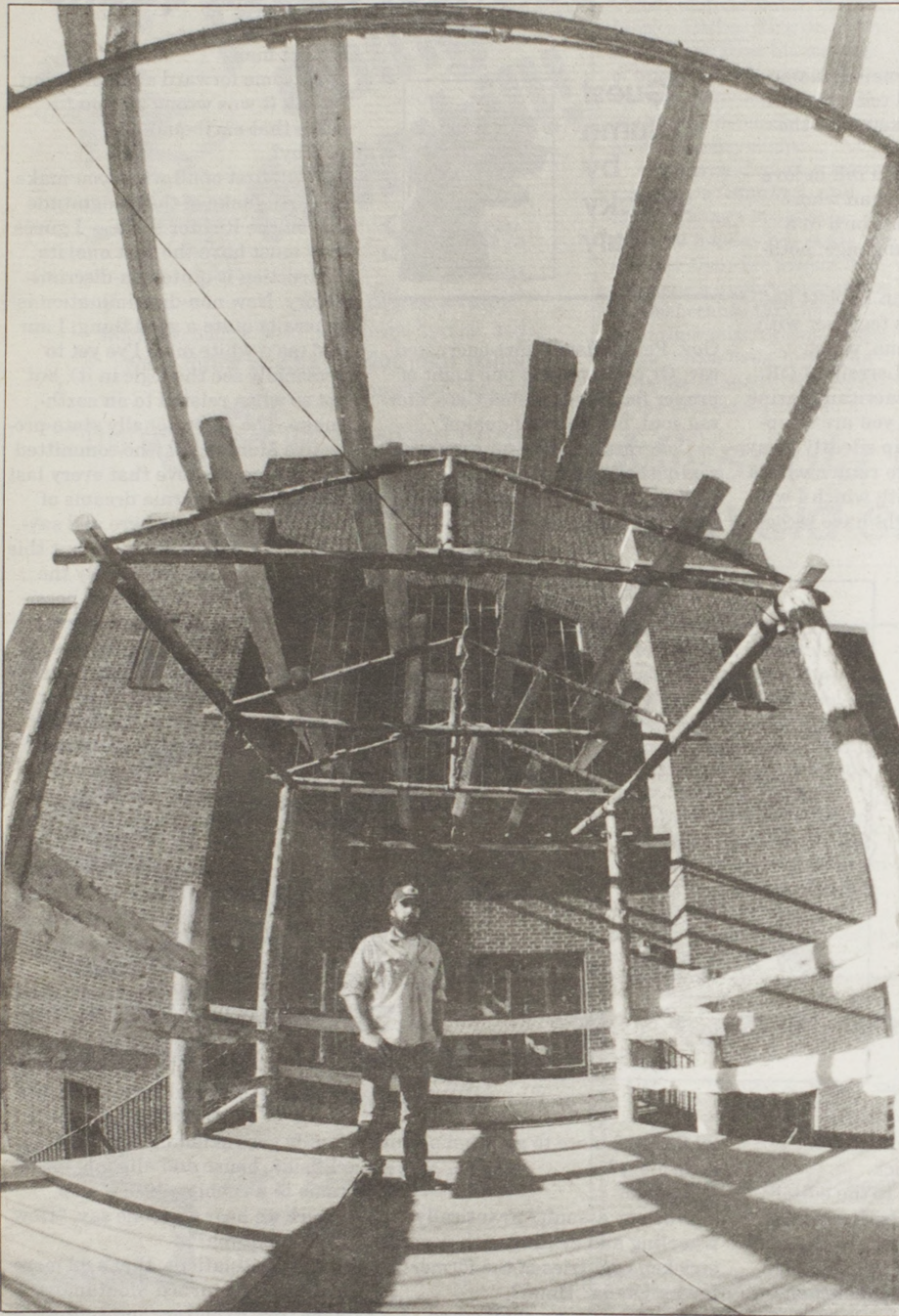
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WARREN APPELHANS, senior in forestry, pines for the night of the Foresters' Ball, Jan. 28, while standing on the freshly constructed bridge that will carry ball goers to the back of Schreiber Gymnasium.

Steven Adams
Kaimin

Foresters plunk down planks for Ball

Bill Barber
For the Kaimin

Schreiber Gym will come alive once again on Jan. 28 and 29 as the 77th annual Foresters' Ball gets underway.

Tickets go on sale in the UC South Atrium at 8 a.m. Monday, and for \$22 per couple you can experience this uniquely Montana-style party.

With months of planning and thousands of hours of preparation, the Foresters' Ball is arguably the biggest social event of the year at UM. Schreiber Gym will be decked out to look like an old-time logging town, complete with a church, jail, general store and of course, a saloon, although no alcohol will be allowed in the Ball.

The theme of this year's Ball is "Burnt Paws to a Good Cause," a tribute to Smokey Bear's success in educating the public about forest fires. Smokey will be on hand Friday afternoon to visit with the ASUM child care kids and teach them about fire prevention.

The Ball will wrap up a week of activities which begin Monday at noon near the north side the Forestry Building. Boondocker's Day features logging sport events for students such as the keg-toss, axe-throwing, and sawing contests. The deans of the Forestry and Law schools will also have a cow chip-throwing contest.

The old rivalry between the two schools has intensified since Oct. 17, when a gang of law school students

kidnapped Bertha, the Forestry School moosehead mascot. The gang promised to return Bertha to the forestry students Friday at noon.

Also scheduled for Monday is the Foresters' Convocation, to be held at the University Golf Course Clubhouse at 6 p.m. The event includes skits, a hairy legs contest for women, and beard, mustache, beer belly and hairy chest contests for men.

If the weather cooperates, the Silvertip Skydivers will jump onto the Oval Wednesday at noon and on their way down they will drop free tickets to the Ball. A good wind could scatter tickets all over the campus, so if you can't get tickets when they go on sale Monday there's still hope.

Regents ring in on Prescott renovations

Nancy Storwick
Kaimin Reporter

The Board of Regents gave the go-ahead Thursday to phone-in registration at the state's colleges, as well as renovations to the Prescott House during day one of its meeting.

The restructuring plan for the state's university system proposed by Commissioner of Higher Education Jeff Baker will be discussed today.

Despite the regents' vote on the renovations to the Prescott House, UM President George Dennison said the university will hold off until all the donation money is on hand.

Regent Kermit Schwanke said earlier this week that he thought the regents would accept the proposal to renovate because it didn't require any state funding.

In October, the Campus Development Committee voted to use \$500,000 in anonymous donations for renovations to the historic Prescott House, located behind Aber Hall by the 'M' trailhead. UM bought the house for \$50,000 in 1955, but agreed to let the last member of the Prescott family, Clarence Prescott, Jr., live there until his death. Prescott, Jr. died last spring.

Plans for renovating include turning the second floor into two guest suites for visiting lecturers and guests and the first floor into offices.

The new offices will house a center to analyze teaching tools and methods used across the country.

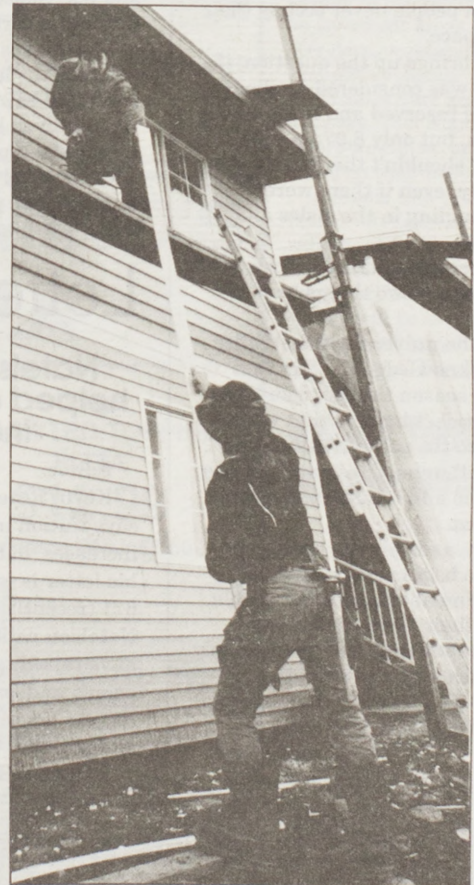
Dennison said he hopes the money for renovations will be available this spring.

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The Kaimin's special section on housing issues.



RICHARD KEN installs cabinets in the new 96-unit Wildflower Apartments, located at 34th and Russell. This studio apartment, when finished, will rent for \$334 a month.

Derek Pruitt
Kaimin

expressions

EDITORIAL

Seating fiasco could explode if left standing

Last Friday night, Dahlberg Arena stood packed to the brim as the UM Grizzly basketball team dropped a 74-71 barn burner to the Big Sky perennial power University of Idaho Vandals.

A crowd of 8,974 people was officially in attendance, but it seemed more like a crowd of 10,000 that was squeezed into the 9,016-seat arena. The game was considered a sellout because of the number of season and reserved ticket holders that already had bought their tickets.

There were crowds of people standing in the aisles of the upper-level, in front of exits and along the railing. This hindered the view of already seated fans.

In Tuesday's Kaimin, Missoula Fire Marshall Ron Harding said every person in Dahlberg Arena should have a seat because blocking exits is a fire hazard, and could prove dangerous to all people, especially people in wheelchairs if a fire broke out.

The reason for this danger?

Field House manager Gary Hughes said the reason was that the people sitting in general admission seats have a tendency to take up more than the 18-inch space that is available.

Hughes said the problem with "a half-general admission, half-reserved house is that the general admission people never occupy their 18-inch space."

Which brings up the question, if the game was considered a sellout because of reserved and season ticket holders, but only 8,974 people attended, shouldn't there be 42 seats still empty, even if there weren't people standing in the aisles and doorways?

Yes, there should. And if this ever happens again two things have to happen.

First, the university ticket office should acknowledge the fact that there are season ticket holders and reserved ticket holders that won't show up to the game. They should open up all unused reserved seating at half time and let unseated people have a seat.

Second, and this is what should happen to begin with, instead of complaining about standing people blocking their view, seated fans should realize that they paid for only one 18-inch seat and scoot their butts for the rest of the people that are standing.

—Kevin Crough

Update: Bobbitt turbulence, Sheck quake

For the record:

Lorena Bobbitt's maiden name was Gallo, which I'll tell you since you may not be bi like me, is the Spanish word for "cock."

OK, big deal. So you fall in love with and marry a woman whose last name means male bird in a foreign and exotic language; nothing wrong with that.

However, had John Bobbitt had the sense to put this together with her first name, Lorena, which translated means, "Lorraine," OR, "marry me young American Marine and one night when you are sleeping soundly I will slip silently away to the kitchen only to return with a sharp implement with which I will cut off your," he might have recognized at least a potential for future turbulence and curbed his intentions. Let's move on.

Well, well, well.

Just when it seems like Montanans' disdain for their Southwestern-emigratory-prone neighbors is reaching a boiling point and there is little room for harmless steam because it has a lid on it that although heavy, may be prone to disruption because said steam of disdain is really thick and hot, comes the California earthquake of '94.

This makes me sick.

I read the letters to the editor last fall. I saw the writing on the wall, but you know what I thought? I figured a couple of the members of this radical Montana element would maybe go down there and write "wash me," in the filth on

Guest Column by Shecky Daly



Gov. Pete Wilson's dirt-encrusted car. Or perhaps skip one night of prayer for singer Mama Cass' eternal soul, but an earthquake?

Congratulations, you people are really the lowest of the low.

Now that you have wiped out more than 30 lives and only

be that man.

I'll come forward and spit it out. I think it was wrong for you to make that earthquake!

Why?

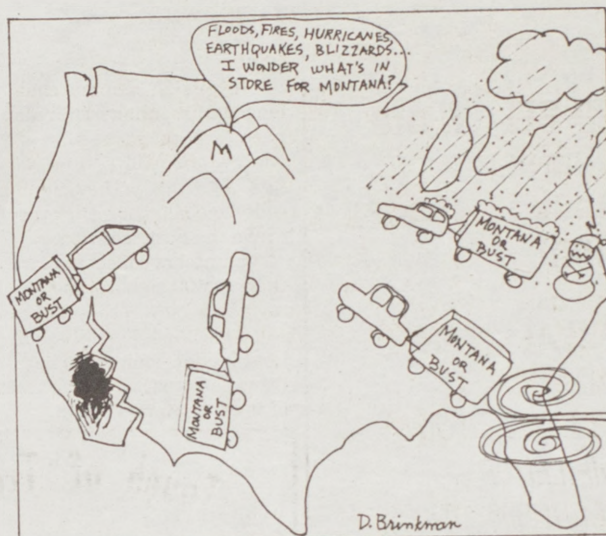
Well, first of all when you make an earthquake of that magnitude (6.6 on the Richter scale — I guess they must have the best one) its destruction is quite non-discriminatory. Now non-discrimination is generally quite a good thing, I am told (as a white male I've yet to personally see the logic in it), but not so when related to an earthquake. The exceptionally state-protective Montanans who committed this act may believe that every last resident of California dreams of nothing but moving here and saying

gaily, "I'm moving here, but this is not necessarily the case. It is in fact possible that there was one family of 82, up at 4:30 a.m., sitting there in the living room, enjoying coffee and doughnuts, having this conversation — "Isn't it so very wonderfully gnarly to live right where we do, here in sunny California?" Eighty-one voices in unison — "Yes it is." Would you give this up and move anywhere else barring a major earthquake?" Eighty-one voices in unison — "No."

Then you go ahead and detonate your little natural man-made disaster and all the large

family goes skidding down some cliffside, house and all, only to come to a rubble pile of a stop where we hear someone say, "How 'bout Montana?"

Congratulations, that's 82 more Californians turned Montanans. I hope they're better representatives than you.



29,839,223 more to go, what's your next move?

Plague?

Nuclear assault? Frantically wheeling and dealing with poverty-stricken countries of the former Soviet Union? Hmm?

If only one man shall stand against you lunatics, then let me

Letters to the Editor

Natelson petition helped cause tuition increase

Editor:

Kevin Roberts is right when he says tuition increases are tax increases, but much of the rest of his letter is inaccurate. House Bill 671 (recently suspended by the Natelson petition drive) would not have raised taxes on lower income people and lowered them on upper income household. The exact opposite is true.

Because HB 671 broadens the

base on which the tax rate is applied, by eliminating tax loopholes and expanding the standard deduction there is in fact a shift in tax burden from low and middle income to higher income. According to the Montana Department of Revenue (on the average) households with income under \$25,000 will receive a small tax break and those over \$25,000 will see a small increase. As income gets larger that increase also gets larger.

Tuition undoubtedly will go up next year as a result of the recently completed cuts in the University

System. Those cuts would not have happened if Natelson's petition had been unsuccessful.

Fortunately, we still have the ability to reverse the effect of the Natelson petition and avoid some future budget cuts and tuition increases. That is by voting against it in the November 1994 General Election and endorsing HB 671 which both shifts tax burden from those with the least ability to pay to those with the greatest ability and generates additional revenue which will keep the legislature and the Regents from shifting additional tax burden onto students in the form of tuition increases.

—State Rep. Mike Kadas
graduate student



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Stanford University professor says ...

Martyrdom dilutes King's message

April Pulfrey
for the Kaimin

The idolized image of Martin Luther King Jr. today takes away from his message of bringing about social change through nonviolent tactics, a Stanford University historian said Thursday night.

Clayborne Carson, a history professor at Stanford, said making King's birthday a national holiday has made him a larger-than-life person. This has done a disservice to young people because they have a hard time relating this image to their own lives, he told an audience of about 180 people in the Montana Theatre.

King was created by the black power struggle of the 1960s, but today we see him as creating the movement, Carson said. There would have been no Montgomery Boycott or lunch counter sit-ins had it not been for the common people like Rosa Parks who saw an injustice and acted to change it, he said.

Parks sparked a black boycott of buses in Montgomery, Ala., after she was arrested for refusing to give up her seat to a white person.

"If King had never lived, the movement would have followed pretty much the same path," Carson said.

Students of today have for-

gotten what King stood for, viewing injustice as something they can't change, Carson said.

Many young people today, he said, have a militant attitude of hostility and resentment. They have come to believe that "attitude is a substitute for politics." The outcome of this attitude is violent, counterproductive action, not the effective practice of non-violent resistance that has driven every successful mass movement in history, he said.

"You must remember that when you take power by the gun, you are forced to protect that power with the same gun," Carson said.

Missoula must plan growth now to avoid suffering, mayor says

Ashley Wilson
Kaimin Reporter

Mayor Dan Kemmis challenged Missoulians Thursday to channel the same kind of energy into dealing with future growth as they did into collecting signatures for the "Save the Fort" petition.

Volunteers collected more than 12,500 signatures, forcing a vote on whether UM can sell 83 acres of Fort Missoula land for development. The drive showcases a major asset of the city, Kemmis said.

"One of our greatest strengths is the unbound dedication of our citizens to have a say in our valley," he said.

Kemmis joined Missoula County Commissioner Fern Hart at the Holiday Inn to give a state of the city address, and to answer questions from panelists Patricia Sullivan of the Missoulia; Pete Denault, news director for KGVO radio; Larry Frost, anchorman for KECI television; and Bill Davey, news director for KPAX-TV.

Hart agreed growth was the

biggest issue in Missoula last year, citing records of 32,000 county land transactions in 1993 compared with less than 29,000 in 1992. She said people should be active in working with officials to make the inevitable growth as livable as possible instead of trying to stop it. "New people come here and say, 'Now, I'm here close the gates,'" she said.

Kemmis agreed. "I don't think there's any such thing as keeping people out of Missoula," he said. "We have to know if there's going to be new development, where it's going to fit in with the carrying capacity of the community."

Hart's office is working on creating a computer planning system to include information on riverfront areas, wildlife corridors, vegetation and current development.

"What we are going to try to do is say 'This is an area where we can accept growth,'" based on that model, she said.

Kemmis said the model, with community involvement, will maintain Missoula as an attractive place to live, where people will want to move.

"We will be able to plan, in a logical and beneficial way, where we can have growth," he said.

ASUM funding forms available

Applications will be available Monday for UM groups interested in receiving ASUM funding next year, ASUM Business Manager Ed Hoffman said Thursday.

Group leaders should check with their members to see how much funding they need in the coming year before they fill out applications, which are available in ASUM's offices in the University Center, Hoffman said. He also asked that groups be reasonable in their requests.

Hoffman said he will be available for budgeting help sessions by appointment starting Monday. His office number is 243-2704. All ASUM-registered groups have until Feb. 11 to hand in their forms. Final allocations will be made on Wednesday, March 2.

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African-American program seeks director

Nancy Storwick
Kaimin Reporter

The first of four candidates for the position of director and professor of UM's African-American Studies Program will visit campus next week, a member of the committee conducting the search said Thursday.

James Flightner, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and chairman of the African-American studies director search committee, said Patricia Dixon will be on campus starting Jan. 28.

Dixon is a visiting assistant professor of Black Studies at the University of Massachusetts, and a doctoral candidate at Temple University in Pennsylvania. Her doctorate, which she is expected to receive this month, is in African-American Studies.

The other candidates —

Heather Hathaway, Daniel Boamah-Wiafe and Doris Witt—will visit UM within the next two months.

Nancy Borgmann, director of the campus Affirmative Action Committee, said she knows that two of the female interviewees are white and Boamah-Wiafe, the only male interviewee, is black. She said she didn't know Dixon's race.

All qualified individuals must have training in African-American Studies or a related field, Flightner said. They also must hold a doctorate. "It's difficult to hire qualified people in this field," he said.

Hathaway will visit UM on Feb. 18. She graduated with a Ph.D. in History of American Civilization from Harvard University, and works as a visiting professor at Trinity College.

On Feb. 28, Boamah-Wiafe will be at UM. He is a professor of Black Studies at

the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Boamah-Wiafe holds a doctorate in geography from the University of Wisconsin.

Witt will be at UM on March 5. Witt expects to get her doctorate in English from the University of Virginia in June 1994.

A decision will probably be made by mid-March or early April, Flightner said.

The position opened last spring after Ulysses S. Doss retired due to health reasons. Doss was founder and sole professor of UM's African-American Studies Program.

Flightner said if none of the candidates is acceptable, the search will continue into next year. The interviewees will meet with members of the search committee and the Black Student Union.

Since Doss's retirement, the non-degree program has been put on hold.

Students vie for vacant senate seats

Tom Lutey
Kaimin Reporter

Nine students, including two candidates from the 1993 ASUM Senate election, have expressed interest in filling the two Senate seats vacated Wednesday by Donielle Boyle and Shawn Fast, ASUM President J.P. Betts said Thursday.

"Ideally, we'll have an appointment in two weeks," Betts said. "That's what I'm shooting for."

Betts, who declined to say who has inquired about the positions, said he will pass out questionnaires to the candidates soon.

"I'm going to put together about a half dozen questions and just have them fill it out," he said.

According to the constitution, it is the president's job to select the replacements and present them to the Senate for approval.

Senators are required to attend all Senate meetings

and sit on two Senate university committees, Betts said, adding that most senators put in 10 to 15 hours every week. Any student carrying more than seven credits can apply.

"I'd like to see somebody who has shown interest in ASUM," Betts said.

"Someone who will show commitment. That's what I'm looking for."

Fast and Boyle left the Senate to become directors in Student Political Action, a political action group that lobbies state and local governments and raises student political awareness.

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Students struggle for affordable housing in Missoula

Special section

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Housing search takes strategy, luck

Ashley Wilson
Kaimin Reporter

Getting an apartment in Missoula these days involves a little luck and a lot of good strategy—like starting early and knowing where to look.

"Plan early and plan to pay a lot," says Rose Murphy of the Missoula Housing

Authority.

Sarah Burdell, who was homeless for a month and a half, suggests arriving at newly listed places, ready to sign papers, early in the day.

"If you're not there by 9:00 (a.m.), forget it," she says.

Housing has been tight in Missoula for the last five years, due in part to an

increased student population.

Stephen Jackman, student manager of the Off-campus Housing Clearinghouse, recommends that if students have to look during the busiest rental times—the beginning and end of spring semester—that they grab whatever they can, at least temporarily.

"Get a place, get any place, and continue to look," he says.

Ric Wilcomb, who owns Garden City Property Management, says the housing market has "loosened up a little" this year, due to new apartment construction. But he still says people should begin looking at least 30 days

in advance.

Judy Wahlberg of Gillespie Realty, president of the Missoula County Board of Realtors, stresses organized determination.

"Start early, be persistent, and don't let (your) place go for the summer," she says.

Jackman recommends checking with the clearinghouse, which started at the information desk in the University Center last year. The service keeps lists, updated daily, of houses, apartments and rooms for rent. Out-of-town renters can get a list in the mail by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

"If I was moving to town, I would come here," he says.

He estimates 250 people got places through the service last semester.

Missy Counter is a geology student who works at the clearinghouse. She said there are still many students who don't know the service can help them.

"I just don't think people know where to look," she says. Students can almost always find a place as someone's roommate, Jackman says, but if they want a dream house, like one that allows pets, they might have to search more.

Many landlords don't like to rent to people with pets. Offering a \$150 non-refundable deposit for a pet has worked for some people, Jackman says.

"That's the power of the dollar," he says.

Students needing temporary housing, who don't mind semi-communal living, can save money over a hotel by staying at the Birchwood Hostel, on 600 South Orange. For \$9 a day, or \$50 a week, they can share a room with access to a laundromat and kitchen. Owner Ernie Franceschi says that except for peak summer months, there are almost always shared rooms available. Private rooms, if available, run \$65 a week. Residents at the hostel share cooking and cleaning responsibilities.

Night-to-night residents must leave from 9 to 5 every day, but Franceschi says weekly residents have 24-hour access.

The 22-bed hostel gets 20 to 30 students per semester, he says.

M'Leah Woodard stayed at the hostel for two weeks before the start of the semester. She liked it for the most part, she says.

"Think about it, it's 200 bucks a month rent if it comes down to that," she says. "This has been a good place to meet people too."



BEFORE FINDING the house she now shares with the man who already lived there, M'Leah Woodard stayed at Birchwood Hostel for two weeks at the beginning of the semester. Here, she scans apartment listings in her room there.

Derek Pruitt
Kaimin

Students floored by home quest

Ashley Wilson
Kaimin Reporter

Sarah Burdell, a UM creative writing and literature major, was homeless for a month and a half last summer, after a house-sitting deal expired in July.

Not having a home forced her to live on friends' couches and floors, dependent on their schedules, she said.

"It sucked, because at that time I couldn't take showers when I wanted to; I couldn't eat when I wanted to, unless I went out; and I couldn't just hang out," she said.

She bided her time looking for a place.

"Every single day, I'd get up around 8 or 8:30, get the paper and call the new listings, which weren't (added) very often," she said.

The 1992 Missoula Multi-dimensional Housing Project survey of 240 UM students, sponsored by UM and local businesses and public agencies, found they averaged more than three weeks searching before finding homes.

That means students forced to move suddenly—

especially right before or after spring semester, when people are looking for next semester's places to live—typically might not have a home for three weeks.

Ed Mayer, interim executive director of the Missoula Housing Authority, said Missoula's vacancy rate for rentals—the average percentage of rentals on the market—has been less than 1 percent since 1990, meaning Burdell is not alone. Of the housing survey's respondents, 12.5 percent reported being "without a regular home" because of cost since they've been at UM.

A vacancy rate of 4 percent is considered healthy, Mayer said.

"That allows people to move from apartment to apartment," he said.

Laura Jones, who graduated last semester in liberal studies, had to leave her small three-bedroom Bonner home after friction with her three roommates. She spent November on Burdell's floor.

"It was total stress when I was homeless," she said. "I had a constant stomach ache.

"I didn't have a space of my own; I had nowhere to just sit and study or anything like that," she said.

Jones looked at about 15 places while staying at Burdell's house, and applied for five, she said, but didn't get them. She finally got a place this December, on South First.

Stacy Newlon chose to stay with friends from August to December, rather than get a place she couldn't afford or didn't like.

"I was staying with a couple of select friends who were kind enough to let me surf on their couches," she said. "It wasn't too bad because I always had a place to stay. I just carried what I needed with me in my car."

After a while, though, she did get tired of it.

"It got old," she said. "I wanted my things around me; I wanted to be able to work on projects. But when I would get inspired to look for a place it was pretty desolate."

After looking at about 15 places she finally found one she likes, and she said she is glad she waited.

"Sometimes it's worth being homeless for a while to wait for something right," she said.

It wasn't until August that Burdell found a house, advertised by Lambros Realty as "six bedroom: \$1172." She rushed to apply, even though she had only seen the outside.

"I never saw the inside until I signed the lease," she said.

She signed the lease and covered the first month's rent and the deposit herself. She then joined with her last roommate, who was able to find four female housemates Burdell had never met before.

They like the renovated turn-of-the-century home, half a block from the Avalon coffee house on Third Street, well enough that two of her roommates are getting rid of their cats to stay there. But if the rent goes up this summer when their lease expires, as Burdell expects it might, they might move out.

Rising housing costs squeeze students out

Tom Lutey
Kaimin Reporter

UM student Charlie Ellis was six weeks away from starting school last summer when his landlord informed him that in August his rent would jump \$150, a 27 percent increase from when he moved in last May. He and his two roommates found themselves priced right out of their one-bedroom apartment.

"Our rent was \$400 a month," said Ellis, a freshman in general studies. "Then we got a letter in the middle of July saying it would be raised on the first of August to \$500 if we took a six-month lease, or \$550 month-to-month."

Ellis stayed in the apartment just long enough to find another place. He said his landlord, Bitterroot Property Management, hit them right before fall semester when housing is at its tightest.

"It sounds to me like these people were caught between a rock and a hard place," said Steve Gross, office manager at Bitterroot. "But if you can't pay the rent, you've got to move."

Ellis' case is an extreme example of local rent increases. According to an unscientific telephone survey conducted by the Kaimin of 100 students, the median rental price of 26 one-bedroom apartments is \$375, utilities included. The random poll implies a 21 percent increase compared to a 1992 survey of the costs of one-bedroom apartments conducted by UM sociology professor John McQuiston. The median price for the 44 two-bedroom apartments surveyed by the Kaimin is \$505. The remaining household surveyed were three-, four- and five-bedroom apartments.

"That's probably about right if you include utilities," said Kevin Mytty, broker for Shelter West, Inc.

Mytty said he believed apartments built in the last year would slow, but not stop, rent increases.

"I think that rents are evening out a little bit," he said. "They will go up a certain percent every year, though, to cover insurance increases and operation increases."

Bitterroot's Gross said the Kaimin survey was about \$25 lower than the average rental price.

"We're renting places where students pay the utilities

starting at \$375. I would say it's closer to \$400."

Ric Wilcomb of Garden City Property Management estimated the average costs of one-bedroom and two-bedroom apartments for the last year at \$350 and \$450 without utilities.

"I don't know if a better deal exists anymore," he said. "There really aren't any bargains. If someone has a \$250 apartment they're not going to move."

Wilcomb said a shortage in older, well-maintained dwellings and high building costs for new apartments are partially to blame for a tight market and increased rental prices.

"If someone is going to have to pay \$170,000 for a new building then rent is going to reflect that," Wilcomb said.

Rent isn't the only thing increasing in the housing market. Bitterroot's Gross said the number of one-year leases is also growing, mostly to attract better tenants. "You get people who blow in and

blow out and they ride the property really rough," Gross said.

"We all hear horror stories. If you're on my side of the fence you see horror stories like students spray painting walls," he said.

But Wilcomb said longer leases have their disadvantages for landlords.

"Our job is to get what the market will bear," he said. "When you're looking at a way of increasing rent to meet market prices, it almost hurts to ask for a year lease."

McQuiston's 1992 survey also put the number of off-campus housing units occupied by students at 5,326. A little less than half of the residents surveyed last winter told the Kaimin that they had occupied their current residence for less than a year.

As far as students are concerned, Wilcomb said it's best to stay put.

"People who stay put pay less by-and-large," Wilcomb said. "When you find someone who takes care of a place, you pay attention to that. In most places we have similar apartments with different rents. If students would stay put they would pay less rent."

"No matter what, anytime a tenant moves out it costs \$200" in maintenance costs, he said, and then the next tenant picks up the bill.

Tax reform stifled investment, reduced rentals, experts say

Ashley Wilson
Kaimin Reporter

Housing experts and property managers blame 1986 federal tax reform for making rental construction less profitable—and for creating Missoula's housing shortage.

Judy Wahlberg, who works at Gillespie Realty, and is president of the Missoula County Board of Realtors, blamed the tax change for discouraging people from building rental property.

Tax reform in 1986 raised the capital gains property tax owners pay on profits they make when selling rentals, and lengthened the time required to get money back from tax write-offs for depreciation of rentals they own, said Michael Brown, who teaches income tax rules at the School of Business Administration.

Ric Wilcomb, who owns Garden City Property Management, said the pre-1986 tax benefits encouraged cheap rentals.

"Ten years ago people could afford to lose money on rent," he said.

Since construction dropped off after the reform, a swelling student population has speeded a decline of the housing surplus, said Nancy Leifer, coordinator of the Missoula Housing Task Force. That leaves students

with a less-than-2 percent vacancy rate now, with higher rent prices, she said.

Wilcomb said, "It's all supply and demand."

Leifer estimated a growth rate of 4 to 10 percent as healthy, with 6 percent being ideal.

A 1992 survey of 240 UM

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—Ric Wilcomb,
owner,

Garden City Property
Management

students by the sociology department, estimated demand exists for between 1,000 and 3,900 students to rent new apartments close

to UM and on a bus route. They would be willing to pay \$179 to \$698 per month per person, the survey found.

Leifer said the 1986 federal tax code meant developers have needed to turn a profit right away on their investments, instead of being able to offset costs for the first few years as before. The change encourages the construction of expensive units, but discourages cheap housing from being built.

"It has to cashflow on its own," Leifer said.

Wilcomb sees the old tax breaks as unfair in some ways.

"It's just another form of government subsidies for the rich," he said of the old tax breaks, adding that the changes affect students. "Who pays in the end of course—the renters."


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Homeowner fights unrelated housemate rule

UM student says noisy cars, parking glut no reason for eviction

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Terry Bartlett, a UM drama student who bought a house in the lower Rattlesnake, can get rid of one of his two roommates, go to court with the city over zoning, or move out.

The law he is violating is unfair, Bartlett said, and he's going to fight it.

"They're discriminating against us because we're students, or we're not what they consider to be a family," he said. "We didn't buy a house to go to court. We bought a house to live affordably."

A city zoning ordinance prohibits more than two unrelated people from living together anywhere in Missoula, but the Office of Community Development, or OCD, investigates complaints only.

Bartlett's next-door neighbors, Mr. and Mrs.

Jorgenson, who agreed to be identified by last name only, said they dislike the parking congestion and traffic Bartlett's friends bring when they visit.

"Some nights it's just car after car coming and going," Mr. Jorgenson said.

"They kept me awake all night."

But students don't belong there even without the traffic problems, they said.

"We really just want to stay a single-family area," Mrs. Jorgenson said.

A Van Buren Street bus stop in front of Bartlett's house forces him and his roommates to use both of his driveway spaces and one of the two spaces on Elm Street by the side—leaving friends to find parking down the street.

The penalty—which has yet to be enforced—for refusing to comply after a notice to obey the zoning is \$25-\$300 for each charge, up to one count a day. But Missoula City Attorney Jim Nugent said it is unlikely the city would collect evidence for more than one charge, especially since the ordinance's legality has been questioned.

"You'd probably just file once," he said. "All you need is the one charge to get the legal issues resolved."

Said Bartlett: "Technically yes, we are in violation of the law, but the law isn't just, and we're

hoping that's what the court will find also. It isn't going to work in a city where there's no housing and students are going to be there."

The 1993 Montana Code Annotated allows cities to pass zoning to "lessen con-



TERRY BARTLETT, right, may have to kick out one of his roommates, Erik Hadley, center, or Vince Briggeman, left, unless they win their fight with the city over zoning that doesn't allow more than two unrelated people to live together.

Derek Pruitt
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gestion in the streets ... to prevent overcrowding of land ... (and) to avoid undue concentration of population." The OCD gives people a chance to fix the problem—by moving someone out—but after a complaint they must comply. "We're not authorized to make exceptions," Nugent said.

The Jorgensons said zoning should be enforced more strictly.

"They slap them on the hand," Mrs. Jorgenson said of the notice students receive. "They throw that in the garbage, so what else is new?"

Dave Bland, who graduated from UM in 1976, lives with his mother, Freda, across the street from Bartlett. They don't mind students living together, he said, but since Bartlett moved in this September, traffic has sometimes kept them up at night.

"They seem friendly enough," he said. "The thing that bothers us is all the comings and goings."

One of Bartlett's roommates, Vince Briggeman, admits some of their friends may have been inconsiderate by taking up neighbors' spaces, and once blocking a driveway.

"A lot of the people who

come here have been irresponsible about parking their cars, so we are guilty in a way," he said.

Bartlett agreed, but questioned whether it is worth the city going into litigation with them over it.

"Nothing's been malicious on our part," he said. "It's just been friends who weren't thinking or whatever."

Erik Hadley, Bartlett's other roommate, said he would rather work with the neighborhood on parking than have to go to court.

"In reality it's all public parking, but we try to respect our neighbors," he said. "We know it's not a college area, so we try to keep things pretty quiet." The ordinance sends a bad message to students, Bartlett said.

"The city is just saying 'we want your business as students, but we don't want you to live here,'" he said. "It's kind of frustrating. It's not

like we have cars up on blocks and nine dogs out in the yard. I'm an honors student. Everyone made the Dean's List. We're all upstanding students in the community."

The group is optimistic about its chances in court.

"We're basically a test case," Bartlett said. "If this goes well for us, which we're hoping, then that will make it easier to live in this town."

Nugent said the last time the U.S. Supreme Court had a chance to rule on similar zoning in Athens, Ga., it refused to hear the case, which upheld it. That doesn't necessarily end the question, though, he said.

"You're only limited by the ingenuity of the attorney," he said.

The city council could vote to overturn the ordinance, but if 20 percent of property owners affected by the rule signed a petition against the vote, three-quarters of the council would have to vote in favor of it for it to pass.

Tenant rights, responsibilities

A tenant's rights to privacy:

Except in emergencies, before entering the premises landlords must give tenants 24 hours notice, written or verbal, and can enter only at reasonable hours.

Landlords can enter premises without 24 hours notice only in an emergency, by court order, or if tenant has failed to make changes affecting the quality of the area. A landlord can also enter the premises if the tenant has been absent for seven days and access is reasonably necessary.

Tenants may not remove, replace or add a lock to a home without written permission from the landlord. If a tenant gets permission, then the landlord must be provided with a key, otherwise the rent agreement can be terminated.

Pets are allowed only if a tenant has written permission from the landlord. A landlord can give a tenant 14 days notice to remove an unauthorized pet or vacate the premises.

Information from the Montana Public Interest Research Group's Tenant-Landlord Guide.

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(BELOW) ARON FLANAGAN bought this camper, which he parks in a friend's yard on 10th Street, to save money on rent.

(RIGHT) LYNDA SIEMOM, an anthropology student, lives in this tepee to save money and live more simply. The cord in the foreground provides electricity.



with Spartan conveniences

Some students prefer the freedom of living in their own tepee or camper to one of those \$400-a-month university area studios.

Lynda Siemom works at a shoe store in the mall, owns an Oldsmobile Cutlass Sierra, and lives in a tepee.

"I think my manager gets mad at me sometimes when I say I live in a tepee," she says. "I guess you think that someone who lives in a tepee would work at Butterfly (Herbs)."

High rents in Missoula, especially since UM enrollment has swelled in the last five years, have many students searching for cheaper ways to live.

For less than \$200 a month, everything included—a neighbor and a friend in Glacier both gave her free firewood—Siemom lives with her boyfriend in a Blue Star Canvas home a few miles east of town. The tepee, with wood stove and particle-board platform, cost about \$1500, she says.

They don't completely lack modern conveniences. Their CD player is in Whitefish, but they have a clock radio, a dorm fridge, a hot plate, an electric blanket, a small oven and a stove made of two 55-gallon drums.

"We're pretty set on appliances," Siemom says.

It gets a little cold sometimes, she says, but she doesn't mind since she can always light a fire.

"The only thing is our clothes smell like a campfire," she says. "But I like campfires."

The anthropology student likes the idea of living more simply, she says, and it's a lot cheaper than living in town.

Tony Faught moved into a basement apartment in December, after a year of living in a 20-foot travel trailer.

His place got a little cold too, he says, but that wasn't the most inconvenient thing in his life.

"The worst thing is showers and bathroom time," he says.

He paid \$50 a month to park the \$800 trailer in front of a northside house, but the owner kept conflicting hours, and didn't like to be disturbed. So Faught used the bathroom at a Mini-Mart three blocks away, and showered in the dorms at UM. He likes the money he has saved, he says, and the fact that his camper has paid for itself. Now his plan is to get a rig that can tow it, and use it for recreation. He may also live in it again this summer, he says.

When Aron Flanagan started trying to find an affordable place he applied for a tepee

that rented for \$50 a month, but didn't get it. And all the apartments he looked at were too expensive.

"I think I checked out 12 to 13 places in one month," he said. "Every time I went some place it was either already rented or so small \$300 was just ungodly."

So he wound up getting a loan on a pea-green 1973 Chevy pickup with a camper on it, and paying a friend \$50 a month to park in his yard and share the kitchen, bathroom and electricity.

"There's nowhere to rent for less than \$300," he said.

"That's what drove me to it."

The camper isn't very large, but that's okay with Flanagan.

"I like the fact that if you stand in the middle everything is in reaching distance," he says.

The drawback is there is no room for guests.

"Company's kind of out of the question unless you're really close," he says.

He has a queen-sized bed in a loft over the cab of the truck. Clothes hanging on a rod serve as a closet and a divider from the rest of the camper.

"It's pretty easy to keep

clean," he says. "You can't have much in it, which makes life pretty easy. There's not much to keep track of."

Flanagan has an old chair outside his camper in his landlord, Jason Reynolds', yard.

"What I consider my living room is his front yard," Flanagan says.

Like Faught and Siemom, Flanagan doesn't always get to keep his home at 75 degrees. When it got cold for a few days last semester, Flanagan's camper got down to about 30 degrees in the morning, he says, even with

his electric space heater on all the time.

"I had a kind of a snowmobile suit I put on," he says.

Still, Flanagan says he likes living there, and his \$150 payments on the truck, with the \$50 rent, make it pretty cheap, considering he gets to keep the camper when it's paid off.

"I think it's a great deal, and I think a lot more people are going to start doing it," he says.

He recommends people talk someone into letting them try camper life out for a few days before they commit to it.



(LEFT) ARON FLANAGAN, a former art student, relaxes in his home, which is mounted on top of a pea-green Chevy pickup.

(RIGHT) LYNDY SIEMOM, an anthropology student, lives in this tepee to save money and live more simply. The cord in the foreground provides electricity.

Eviction evolution

The city is not the only one that can pressure a person to leave their house. Renters might also hear the shout to "get out!" from a landlord, but not without going through certain steps. According to the Montana Public Interest Research Group's Tenant-Landlord Guide, landlords can only bring an "action for possession" (a legal claim to remove the renter from a home), if the landlords first terminate the rental agreement. This can be done in five ways:

1. Three days after the landlord tells the tenant in writing that the termination will occur if the tenant does not pay rent. If the rent is paid within the three days then the notice is void. Mobile home owners have 15 days to move their home from a rented space.
2. Three days after telling the tenants in writing that they have destroyed or damaged any part of the property.
3. Fourteen days after telling the tenants in writing that termination will occur if they do not comply with the rental agreement. This can happen in just five days if the person violated the rental agreement within the previous six months.
4. Fourteen days after telling the tenant in writing that they have allowed the property to be damaged beyond the normal wear and tear. This is called "wastage."
5. Thirty days (in the case of a month-to-month agreement) after telling the tenants in writing that the landlord wants to terminate the rental agreement.

Program can help handle heating

Ashley Wilson
Kaimin Reporter

There may be help for students who can't afford their rent after the heat bill arrives.

If your parents don't claim you as a dependant, then your income level may qualify you for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program, LIEAP, which helps with winter power bills.

"We do have a lot of students who take advantage of the program," said Diane Lenington of the Missoula Human Resource Council, which runs the program.

People with incomes as high as 150 percent of the poverty level may qualify if they have medical expenses, Lenington said (see box). Student grants based on financial need don't count as income.

"A great many more people qualify than think they do," she said.

Eligibility is based on total household income, so all roommates in a place must apply together. To apply, call 728-3710.

Benefits vary, depending on income, number of bedrooms in the house, apartment or mobile home, and the type of heating system. People who rent

apartments with heat paid by the landlord may qualify for a refund through LIEAP, based on the cost of rent.

Of the approximately 2,400 people Lenington said are helped each year by the program, 250-350 homes are weatherized. Weatherizing includes anything from just weatherstripping doors and covering windows with plastic to adding insulation.

Homeowners may also qualify for an upgrade of their heating system in some circumstances.

About 1,400 applications have been processed so far this year, at a cost of about \$380,000, Lenington said. The LIEAP money is federal, coming to Missoula county through Montana's Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services.

Students with independent tax status may qualify for heating assistance, based on the following total household incomes:

Total number of people in household:	Eligible if total annual income below:	Higher eligible income if applicants have medical expenses or dependents:
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2	\$11,788	\$14,145
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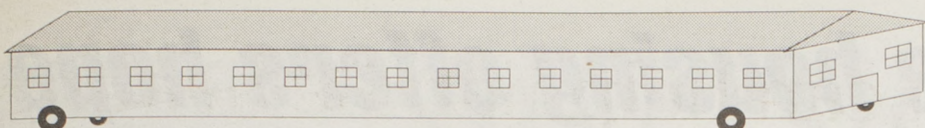
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Property managers: Mobile homes can be profitable alternative

Tom Lutey
Kaimin Reporter

Students tired of being home renters might find home owning more profitable, according to Ric Wilcomb, a local property manager.

In a rental market with high prices and an average vacancy rate of a little more than 1 percent, Wilcomb of Garden City Property Management said a cheap mobile home can be an

asset.

"I really think people who rent for years should look at buying a mobile home," Wilcomb said. "They actually appreciate. You pay for a mobile home now and in four years you'll graduate with an asset."

Unlike monthly rent payments, money paid towards a mobile home can be recovered later through resale, he said.

Daryll Branning, a sophomore in journalism, purchased a mid-1950s eight-foot-by-40-foot mobile home shortly before enrolling in school and paid it off in 18 months.

"I got a short term loan for \$3,000," Branning said. "I was thinking about going to school while I was paying it off, but I decided not to."

Branning, a resident of Sherwood Court, which shares the name of the street that borders it, used part of his loan to plumb and rewire his home. He moved his bathroom sink into an adjacent room to make space, hung a hook from his living room ceiling for his bicycle, and constructed a kitty-door in the side of his trailer.

By the time Branning enrolled, his combined lot and utility payments were \$200 per month.

He also belongs to the Sherwood Association, a tenants' rights group.

"It's basically a gripe session," Branning said. "We haven't met for a while."

When they did meet, he said, they persuaded the landlord to prune overhanging tree branches that could have damaged homes in the court. Since then, Branning said, his landlord will only meet with tenants on an individual basis.

The same housing crunch that makes mobile homes so viable has also affected lot vacancy.

"Ideally, a single wide (trailer) should be a good opportunity for students," said Cindy Fristo of Montana People's Action, a political action group advocating the rights of mobile home owners.

"The payments are similar to renting, but the opportunity to buy a single wide and leave it set up in the court it's in are slowly diminishing," she said. Fristo also said that high demand for lot space is allowing park owners to be more selective of the homes they allow in their courts. An older home might be rejected, she said. Her advice is, if you see a mobile home that doesn't have a lot, don't buy it.

Also, some local courts have recently had sewer and water problems, such as Village West, a trailer park west of town that had to be evacuated.

Moving a home, Fristo said, can cost anywhere from \$600 to \$1,000.



As the owner of a mobile home, UM student Darryll Branning has a cozy investment in the future.

Derek Pruitt

Mobile home owners can be booted

These are ten reasons mobile home owners can be evicted:

- 1) Nonpayment of rent, maintenance fees or late charges.
- 2) Three late payments of the above fees within a 12-

month period if the tenant is given written notice after each late payment.

- 3) Violation of a mobile home park rule that immediately threatens the health or safety of any resident if the situation is not remedied

within 24 hours after receiving a written notice.

- 4) Two or more violations of any park rules within a 12-month period that would have a significant adverse impact on its park or its residents.

- 5) Two or more violations within a 12-month period of the same rule.

- 6) Two or more violations of the Montana Landlord-Tenant Act concerning maintenance of the dwelling, such as unkempt property.

- 7) Disorderly conduct that violates others' rights to the peaceful use and enjoyment of the premises, damages park property or harms others.

- 8) Changes in land use, with a six-month notice

- 9) A legitimate business reason, such as bankruptcy, with a six-month notice.

- 10) Conviction of a violation of a state or federal law when the violation takes place on the park premises and is detrimental to the health, safety or welfare of residents or landlord of the park.

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Homeowners, *Dense housing offers hope* lack of land block rental construction

Ashley Wilson
Kaimin Reporter

It is difficult to build affordable housing in Missoula with little land available while residents resist new buildings on the remaining open land, said the president of the Missoula County Board of Realtors.

Judy Wahlberg said developers can't gather finances to build apartment complexes as easily as they used to before federal tax reform eliminated incentives in 1986. When they do, they run into a shortage of available land, especially near UM.

Ed Mayer, interim executive director of the Missoula Housing Authority, said land that is open can't be developed because it lacks existing infrastructure, like sewers and water. Areas that fall under that category are bordered by Russell and Orange streets, with the Clark Fork River to the north and South Avenue on the south, he said.

And people living near land that is available often oppose new development.

Proposed developments in the Rattlesnake have been vigorously opposed by Rattlesnake homeowners. More recently, a group has been gathering signatures to try and stop the sale and development of university land in Fort Missoula, because of conflicts with historical value and open space.

"The community is not allowing itself to grow," Mayer said.

Another problem, as existing housing becomes less available for students, is a city zoning ordinance that prohibits more than two unrelated people from living together. Students often get roommates as a way of keeping rent and utility costs down by sharing them. But if the Office of Community Development gets a complaint about students living together, they force them to move out or eliminate some of the roommates.

New housing was built within the last year, though, and the housing market seems to be a little looser than it used to be.

The Jan. 12 Missoulian, for example, had 94 listings for rentals, almost twice last year's 55, and more than double January 1992.

"I have a ton of stuff (for rent)," Tracy Sherrow, manager for Adea Property Management Co., said. "This is the most I've seen open in at least eight months."

Tom Lutey
Kaimin Reporter

Higher-density housing may increase open spaces, said Nancy Leifer of the Missoula Housing Task Force, but closed minds are keeping it out.

"The challenge, as I see it," said Leifer, who works with the city to establish an affordable housing policy, "is how we as a community can move toward more dense housing that encourages open areas without air pollution or water pollution."

High-density housing, Leifer says, incorporates a single wall and/or roof into the architecture of three to four multi-bedroom dwellings. An example is the Cobblestone Village homes in East Missoula, which range in price from \$91,000 used to \$112,000 new.

But a change in attitude about appearance will only come if there is better communication about what is being built.

"My hope is that we can change the debate, from ramming it down their throats or being forced out of a neighborhood to housing that doesn't look bad," Leifer

said. "That's respectable."

Leifer said the lowest (separate) house built last year was \$90,000, while shared-wall houses cost \$60,000 per unit.

But a higher concentration of living spaces would mean fewer Missoula residents would have to commute from outlying areas, and that means less smog, Leifer says.

But there are problems creating affordable housing.

Some zoning areas outside Missoula allow for only one well and one septic system on each acre, which isn't sufficient service for several families. Bringing in city sewer service makes housing more expensive.

And then there is still the matter of public acceptance.

Last October, a 16-unit dense housing project slated for the corner of River Road and Davis Street was scrapped after neighbors complained.

"They didn't want it in their neighborhood," Robert Edwards, a local developer who worked on the project, said.

Although Edwards met with the neighbors prior to applying with the county

government, the property owners couldn't be sold on the idea.

"Those people would have been looking right down into my yard," said Robert Trolope, whose property bordered the proposed site. Trolope had recently put up a six-foot fence for privacy. The development was to be two stories high. Another neighborhood concern was parking. The site was to be

split in half, with one acre for green space and the other for housing.

"It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure that you can't fit 32 cars in that small of an area," Trolope said.

By law, Edwards has to wait a year after the petition was accepted to build on the property. When Edwards does build, he plans to raise seven single-family homes, costing in the \$90,000 range.

Nancy Leifer, director of the Missoula County Task Force, cited some new developments as helping to lessen the rental problem:

- A townhouse project in North Missoula that should bring homes onto the market at around \$75,000, almost as low as an ideal starter home here, she said. Although students may not necessarily buy them, the people who do might move out of apartments students can use.

- A new 96-unit apartment complex being built on 34th Street and Russell Street. Federal tax regulations for "affordable housing" allow students with up to four hours of school a day to rent there. Students taking more than four hours cannot apply. Twelve units are still available, with prices ranging from \$334 for a studio to \$430 for a two-bedroom, provided the applicants can prove their income is double the rent.

- The sale of bonds by UM last semester to build a new dormitory and new married student housing complex.

- A decision to seek private bids—instead of going through the lengthy and complicated process for issuing university bonds—for a partnership in building student housing, possibly on UM's newly-acquired land across the Clark Fork, and on land south of the running track on South Higgins Avenue.



RICHARD KEN installs cabinets in the new 96-unit Wildflower Apartments, located at 34th and Russell. This studio apartment, when finished, will rent for \$334 a month.

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Creative process on display in 'Sunday' Inspirational play on its 10th anniversary tour

Michael David Thomas
Kaimin Arts Editor

George Seurat's "Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte" has been the subject of many a viewer's interpretation. Many hours have been spent by viewers imagining the lives of the people Seurat captured in the pointillist masterpiece.

It's no surprise that author James Lapine and composer Stephen Sondheim were inspired to create the popular "Sunday in the Park with George," now on its 10th anniversary tour.

The play's first act is an exploration of the work in progress, starting with Seurat and a black canvas. Lapine's story, mixed with musical numbers composed by Sondheim, tells how the recreation of "Sunday" might have come about. The characters in the painting are fleeting cameos that illuminate the reason Seurat included them. The creative process we don't often see is laid out for us point for point.

By the end of the act we see the finished work, reveling in its size and magnitude, a whopping 7-by-10.

Time warp then to the present as George, Seurat's great-grandson, experiments with a new technology that is a laser-generated version of Seurat's pointil-



lism. The problem is that the critics hate his work and George is contemplating giving up artwork altogether, buckling under the pressure of public opinion.

The ghost of Dot, Seurat's mistress, shows up to give the younger George some inspiration and push him on to listen to his impulses, instead of the critics.

Issues of artistic inspiration, creativity in the face of harsh criticism and the role

of art in our society are covered. They are brought to full illumination in a creative and involving manner.

ASUM Programming presents "Sunday in the Park with George." A one-time show will be performed Sunday, Jan. 23, at 7 p.m. in the University Theatre. Tickets are on sale at all TIC-IT-E-Z outlets for \$22 for the general public and \$18 for students and senior citizens.

Week Enders

Friday, Jan. 21

***The Surrounding Path—** Artwork and poetry merge in Robert Cederberg's "The Surrounding Path." This introspective exhibit is showing in the University Center Gallery. Hours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Saturday.

***Photographing Montana 1924-1928: The World of Evelyn Cameron —** Photographs by English native Evelyn Cameron are being exhibited in the Missoula Museum of the Arts. Cameron's move near Terry, Mont. in 1890 helped to document in pictures the before, during and after of the homesteading boom in Montana. Museum hours are noon to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

***Good Neighbors: Ranch Life Portraits, Drummond, Mont. by Jill Brody —** In 1990, Rhode Island native Brody started documenting the rural town. She continues photographing and exhibits her work with text accompanying each subject. The exhibition is at the Missoula Museum of the Arts. Museum hours are Monday through Saturday, noon to 5 p.m.

***Contemporary American Indian Art: The Joe Fedderson Collection —** The result is a decade worth of art collecting by Joe Fedderson. An exhibition of 35 works at the Missoula Museum of the Arts representing 22 different indige-

nous nations, illustrating what it means to carry native culture into the contemporary world. Museum hours are noon to 5 p.m.

***Painted Faces — The Masterwork Series —** Linda Talbott combines painting, photography, art history, theater, self-portrait and body art, to recreate herself in her favorite works of art. The exhibit is showing on campus in the Paxson Gallery.

***Slick Willie —** '60s rock at Maxwells. 10 p.m. No cover. The Mystics — '50s, '60s and '70s dance tunes and good times at the Holiday Inn's Montana Lounge. Friday and Saturday, 9 p.m. No cover.

***The Max —** Rock 'n' roll at Buck's. Friday and Saturday, 9:30. \$2 cover.

***Moonlighters —** Jazz/blues at the Union Club. Friday and Saturday, 9:30 p.m. No cover.

***Ian Tyson —** Multi-award winning folk singer turned cowboy brings his folksy, down-home sound to the University Theatre at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$16 and on sale at all TIC-IT-E-Z outlets.

***Smokin' Gun —** The live sounds of a great bar band at the Eagles Lodge, Friday and Saturday, 9 p.m. No cover.

***One Night Stand —** Not just another sexual exploit at the Elks BPO Lodge. Friday and Saturday, 8:30 p.m. No cover. Little L.A. — Rock, rock and a little roll at Jay's Upstairs. Friday and Saturday, 9:30 p.m. No cover. G.T. Noah — Live Blues at The Top Hat. 10 p.m. \$2 cover.

Saturday, Jan. 22

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Sunday, Jan. 23

Second-Wind Reading Series with Fred Haefele and Bryan Di Salvatore — At the Old Post Pub. 7:30 p.m. (Get there early) Sunday in the Park with George — A Stephen Sondheim production based on the life of artist George Seurat. Showing at the University Theatre at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$22 for the general public and \$18 for students and senior citizens.

THE RESIDENCE LIFE OFFICE IS CURRENTLY ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE STUDENT STAFF SUPERVISORY POSITIONS DURING THE 1994 - 1995 ACADEMIC YEAR

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Interviews will be scheduled during Spring Semester, and staff selections will be made prior to April 5, 1994.

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UM LADY GRIZ forward senior Ann Lake, goes up strong against Weber State defenders in UM's 87-39 defeat of the Wildcats Thursday night. Lake led all scorers in the game with 17 points.

Greg Rec
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Lady Griz hammer Weber State Montana moves to 3-0 in conference

Corey Taule
Kaimin Reporter

Senior forward Ann Lake's 17 points and seven rebounds propelled the UM Lady Griz to an 87-39 drubbing of the Weber State Wildcats Thursday night at Dahlberg Arena in Missoula.

The win took the Lady Griz, who is ranked 21st in the country, to 13-2 overall, 3-0 in Big Sky Conference play. Weber State dropped to 2-11, and 1-2.

The win extended Montana's home winning streak to 23 games, the third highest in the country.

Lake, who played only 17 minutes because of the huge lead Montana held throughout the game, shot six for 10 from the field and five for eight from the free throw line.

"I was due for a good shooting night," said Lake. "I worked this week in practice on balancing myself for shots. The last couple of weeks I've just been throwing, not shooting."

Montana coach Robin Selvig said the key to Lake's success Thursday night was her ability to convert layups inside the paint and shoot free throws.

"She was finishing her shots well and she has started to shoot free throws better as well," he said.

Coming in to Thursday's game, Lake had been shooting .489 (67-137) from the charity stripe.

Lake said the ankle that she sprained last week in practice was still a little sore, but didn't inhibit her much.

"It's a lot better, but it's still a little swollen," she said.

The Lady Griz move on to host Northern Arizona at 7:30 p.m. in Dahlberg Arena Saturday. The Lady Lumberjacks are coming off a win at Montana State Thursday night.

Last year, the Lady Jacks went 0-14 in the Big Sky, but this year under new coach Charli Turner, Northern Arizona has jumped out to a 2-1 conference record, losing only to number 22 ranked Boise State.

"They have a new coach and a new system, so you're not sure what you are going to get until you play them," said Selvig.

Lady Griz Stats

Kristy Langton — 8 points, 5 rebounds	Greta Koss — 2 points, 7 rebounds
Ann Lake — 17 points, 7 rebounds, 3 steals	Lora Morast — 9 points, 7 rebounds
Trish Olson — 7 points	Dawn Sievers — 10 points, 5 steals, 3 assists
Sherri Brooks — 6 points, 5 rebounds	April Sather — 2 points, 4 rebounds
Kelly Pilcher — 3 points, 7 assists	Jodi Hinrichs — 4 points
Kristin Omlid — 7 points, 4 rebounds	Malia Kipp — 2 points
Carla Beattie — 10 points, 8 assists	

Weber tops Griz in 3 OTs

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — Robbie Johnson scored 25 points, including a 3-pointer with 45 seconds left in the third overtime, to lead Weber State to a 97-91 Big Sky victory over Montana Thursday night.

Montana (14-2, 1-2) led 91-89 in the third overtime when Johnson hit the trey from 21 feet from the left angle.

Johnnie Moore then hit a foul shot, followed by two foul shots by Elroy Miller, before Johnson iced the game for the Wildcats with a steal and layup with one second to play.

In regulation, Grizzly Jeremy Lake made a layup to put Montana up 77-74. However, with 26 seconds left, Johnson hit a 30-footer from the right angle to send the Wildcats (11-7, 1-2) into the first overtime at 77-77.

In the first and second overtimes, Weber took four-point leads only to have Montana answer both times with four points of its own.

The first overtime ended 81-81, and the second one ended with the teams tied at 85.

Israel Evans led Montana with 20 points, 10 in each half, and Lake added 19 before fouling out with 2:11 left in the third overtime.

Jimmy DeGraffenried

added 20 points and Ruben Nembhard had 19 for the Wildcats. Moore had 14 rebounds.

MONTANA (14-2)

DeCuire 1-9 3-4 5, Lake 5-13 6-6 19, Samuelson 6-8 3-4 15, Kempfert 5-11 3-4 13, Evans 7-12 5-7 20, Dade 0-0 0-0 0, Kane 4-10 1-2 12, Spoja 1-2 0-0 2, Knox 1-1 0-0 3,

Perkins 0-0 0-0 0, Lacheur 0-0 0-0 0, Covill 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 31-69 21-27 91.

WEBER STATE (11-7)

Miller 0-7 2-4 2, Johnson 9-27 3-6 25, Nembhard 8-16 3-9 19, DeGraffenried 6-15 5-6 20, Moore 6-9 4-5 16, Greer 0-0 0-0 0, Lofton 3-6 0-0 7, Lentfer 4-5 0-0 8. Totals 36-85 17-30 97.

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Regents approve touch-tone phone registration system

Renovations could then begin as early as this summer, he said.

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double booking an hour.

Before hanging up, the computer would repeat the classes the student had registered for. This could decrease the number of add/drop forms at the beginning of a semester.

Dennison said "bugs" will have to be worked out of the system and predicted the earliest that student's could use the system would be

Spring 1995.Dennison also said he's confident that the regents will adopt the restructuring plan for Montana's University System.

"But then, they're the people who have to make the decision," he said.

The plan would mean UM would be affiliated with Western Montana College in

Dillon and Montana Tech in Butte. Eastern Montana College in Billings and Northern Montana College in Havre would become branch campuses of Montana State University in Bozeman.

Also, Dennison said he expects that regents will deal with fees and tuition at their next meeting in March.



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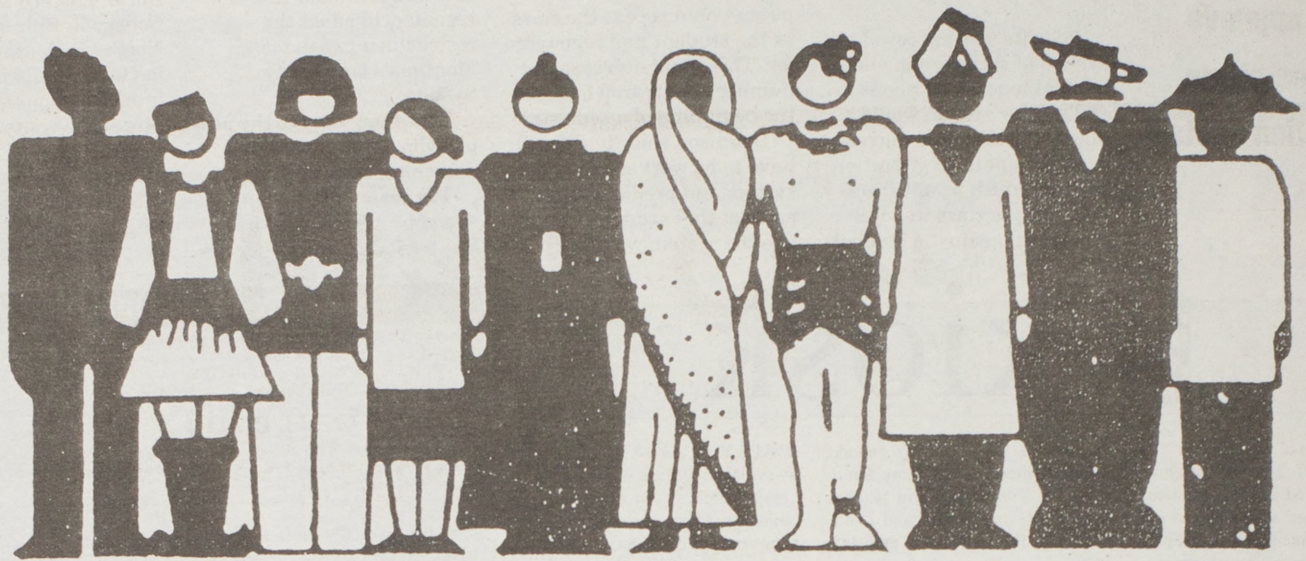
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